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IN THE MATTER OF THE VERIFIED)
PETITION OF SPRINT LONG DISTANCE,)
INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
TERRITORIAL AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)
FACILITIES-BASED AND RESOLD)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES,)
INCLUDING LOCAL EXCHANGE,)
INTEREXCHANGE, AND EXCHANGE)
ACCESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS)
SERVICES AND CALLER ID SERVICES)
THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF INDIANA,)
EXCLUDING THE EXISTING SERVICE)
TERRITORY OF UNITED TELEPHONE)
COMPANY OF INDIANA, INC. D/B/A)
SPRINT, AND FOR AN ORDER BY THE)
INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY)
COMMISSION DECLINING TO EXERCISE)
IN WHOLE OR IN PART, TO THE FULLEST)
EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, ITS)
JURISDICTION PURSUANT TO I.C. 8-1-2.6.)

CAUSE NO. 42899

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On July 7, 2005, Sprint Long Distance, Inc. ("Petitioner") filed its Petition with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") for a certificate of territorial authority, as captioned above. After having reviewed the Petition and being duly advised in the premises, the Presiding Officer now finds that the Petitioner should answer the following on or before October 26, 2005.

On August 8, 2005, the FCC approved the Sprint-Nextel Merger. As part of the merger the local wireline company in Indiana will be spun off into a separate entity. Furthermore, a subsidiary of Sprint-Nextel, Sprint Communications, L.P., has been issued a CTA for facilities-based local exchange (see Cause Nos. 42494, 42505, and 40967). Please explain the relationship between Sprint-Nextel, the local wireline company that will be spun-off, Sprint Communications L.P., and Sprint Long Distance, Inc.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Lorraine Hitz-Bradley
Lorraine Hitz-Bradley, Administrative Law Judge

Date: October 18, 2005